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If foules or byrds that keepe in sweete waters bath themselves and flatter therein, it foretellethe raine to be at hand.

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If blacke birdes do shew themselves in any quantity or together, they foreshewe raine to follow.

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If Bearnes be seene sytting in the fields sadly, it signifyeth raine.

Any gale of wynde comming from the west, signifyeth moylnesse and water.

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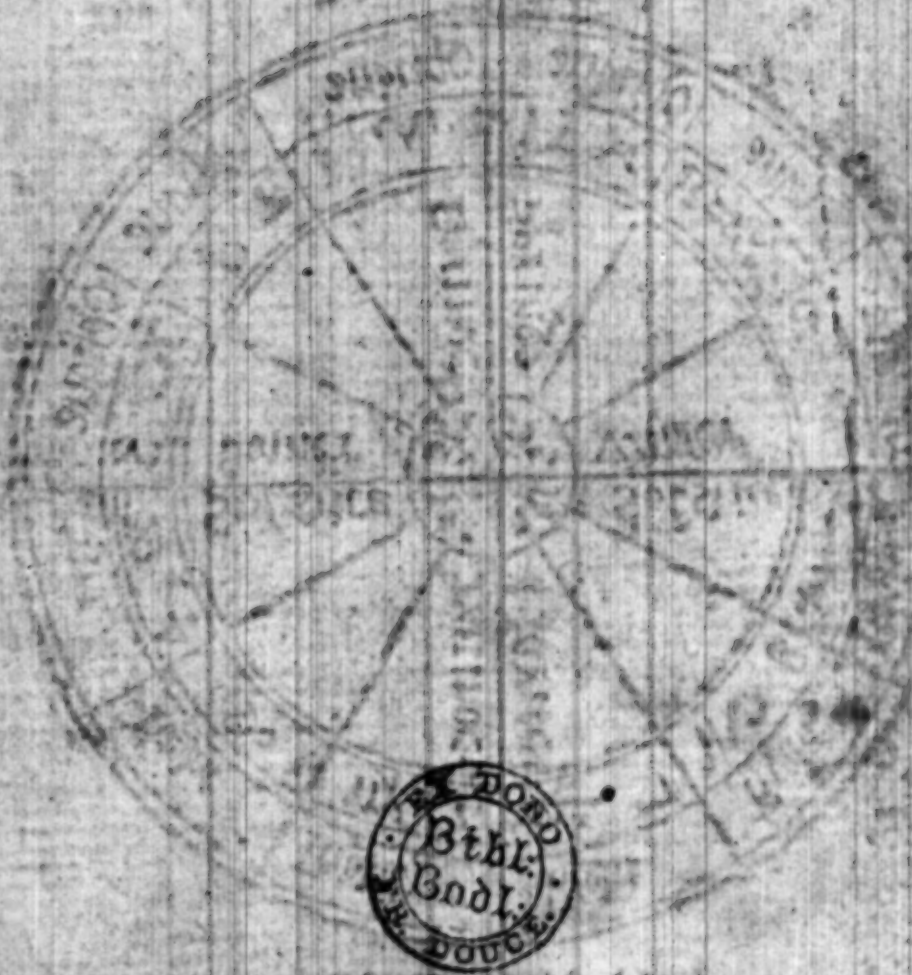
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Any water being
drounke or suckt vp by
the earth sooner then it
is ordinarily wont to
be, signifieth raine to
be at hand.

If standing water
be at any tyme warmer
then it is commonly wont to bee, and no
Sunne shine helpe it, it foztelleth raine.

If any springs do newly rise or bubble
foztb, or old springes flowe faster then or-
dinarie, it is a token of much raine.

Small floze of water in winter doth sig-
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nity a moist and wet spring to follow.

If Duckes and Drakes do shake and flutter their wings when they rise, it is a signe of ensuing water.

The element being overcast with darknes, duskie, and black cloudes foretelleth raine to be at hand.

The appearing of the Raine-bow in any cleare and faire weather, it is a token of raine presently to follow.

If the Raine-bow appeare toward the South it is a manifest token of great store of water to be in the ayre, which doth pre-dominate the southerne partes.

The greener the Rain-bow is, the greater store of raine it doth signify.

If yong Ases rub their backs against the ground, it is a signe of great drops of raine to fall.

If in the euening it lighten onely in the North, it is a token of ensuing raine.

If in a cleare and starry night it lighten in the South or South-east it foretelleth great store of wind and raine to come from those partes.

Lightening in a Sommers euening, is a token of raine to follow within 3. dayes after.

Lightening and thunder comming from the North is a signe of rayne.

If Oxen do licke themselves against
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the haire, it is a token of raine to followe shortly after.

If Oxen feede apace when it raines, it is a token that the raine shal continue many daies after.

If Oxen when they do pisse or bellowe looke vp to the Skye, it signifyeth ensuing raine.

If the heate in Sommer bee more hot and violent then it is wont to be, it is a token of raine.

If a Dogs guttes or entrails stirre or rumble in his bellie, it is a sygne of raine.

If salt or poudred meate be more moist then it is ordinarily wont to be, it signifyeth raine.

The Skye or element being red or syery in a morning, foresheweth raine to follow.

If the skye bee more full of starres then ordinarie, it is a token of raine to follow shortly after.

If girdles or girtes, or any thing else of Lether or silke Barters, or Ribbandes do shrinke more then ordinary, it is sygne of raine.

If Dones or pigeons come later home or to their done-houses in the evening then ordinary, it is a token of raine.

If liddes, or couers of woddren pots, barrells, or other vessels do swell, it is a signe of raine.

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If Crows or Ravens fly together in great number, and that they croke and flutter their wings, it will raine shortly after.

If Ravens or Crows do rest themselves vppon Olive trees, picking of their owne fethers, it signifieth raine.

If Ravens, Crows or Dawes croke or make any greater noise in faire wether then they are wont, it is a signe of much water to follow.

If Ravens, Crows or black-birds, or Larkes fly aloft, and crie or squeake like unto Hawkes, it is a token of raine.

If Crows or Dawes bath themselves in winter, or if they caye and yealk along any shore more then they are commonly wont to do, then will raine follow.

The caying of Crows or Dawes, hopping or standing vppon rocks, stones or shelves in the water, is a token of raine.

If the stringes of musike instrumentes breake of themselves, then wil raine shortly follow.

The sparkling of a lampe or candle is a manifest signe of ensuing raine.

If soote fall downe from a chimney more then ordinary, there will follow raine presently.

If Antes or Wites do often runne to their nestes or homes, it is a manifest token of raine.

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If when it beginnes to raine Bennes do flutter their winges in the dust, or that they flocke together, and seeke to shelter themselves from the raine, it is a token of raine to follow.

If Cattes do licke their fore feete, and with them wash their head, it is a signe of raine.

If gotwy men, or such as are troubled with any olde aches do feele their iointes to ake, there will raine shortly follow after.

If Hearnnes do crie in a morning, it wil raine shortly after.

If the Skye sceme darke, greenish, foggie, lowring, or dusky, or if it appeare the third day before, or the third day after the coniunction, it is a signe of ensuing raine.

If the bird called a Cormorant do keepe the water still, it is a token of wind and raine.

If any thick smoke come from the mountains that neither the wind or some drine it away, it is a token of greete froze of raine.

If Flies or Gnats do bite or sting lozer then they are wont to do, or houer about mens eies, or mouthes of men or beastes, it is an euident token of raine.

If the clowdes appeare in the aire, looking

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king like vnto fleeces of wooll, it is a signe of small store of raine.

Duskie and blacke clowdes in the aire, signifyeth raine.

Clowdes appearing on the toppes of mountaines or high places foretell greete waters.

Any clowde vpon the sea going away with a contrarie winde, it is a signe of raine.

The extraordinary crowing of Peacocks is a manifest token of raine.

If sheepe do bleat, play, or skip wantonly it is a signe of water.

If the hearn-shawe cry extraordinarily, it is a certaine token of rayne.

The sweating of mens feete is a sygne of change of weather in the North, or of great clowdes and stormes.

If swyne bee seene to carry bottels of beye or straw to any place, and hyde them, it is a token of raine.

If Flease bite faster then they are wont, it is a sygne of water.

If Frogs do creake moze then ordinary it is an apparant token of water.

If store of Toads namely old ones goe fro their holes in the euening, it is a sygne of stormy weather and rayne.

If the dew fall not early in the morning (vnlesse it be let by the wynd) it is a sygne of
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of raine.

If swallowes be scene to flutter and fly about, or ouer y^e waters or marish grounds and with their winges to touch the water, it is a manifest token of great raine.

The appearing of a Salamander, is a token of raine.

If the salt be moist or wet in any vessel, it is a token of ensuing rayne.

If any blacke sygnes appeare in y^e Sun or in the Moone, it is a sygne of water.

If the weather bee hot at Sun rysing, and Sun setting without any wind, it is a token of raine.

If the sound or noise of any bells be heard further then it is wont without the helpe of any wind, it will raine shortly after.

If the stones in any wall, floore or pavement sweate, and bee moyst, it will rayne shortly after.

If it thunder with an East or westerly wynd, it is a token of rayne to be at hand.

If it thunder in the South, it will rayne shortly after.

If it thunder lesse then it lightens in Sommer, it is a manifest token of rayne.

If warts do turne vp the ground more then they are wont, and that the earth they turne vp be small and drye, it is a manifest token of water.

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Signes of Storme and Winde.

If Duckes and water Bennes, or Dog-
diuers do dine in the water, and shake
their wings, it is a token of winde.

If the Raine-bow appeare very red,
it is a sygne of ensuing windes.

If the Raine-bow shew it selfe in a cal-
mie wether, it is a manifest toke of winds
to follow.

If in an euening it lighten towards the
North, it foretels great windes to ensue
that way.

If in a cleare night it lighten from the
South and Southwest, it shewes that
there will windes come thence.

If dogges do tumble and roule alongst
the ground, it is a sygne of wyndes.

If any small clowdes appeare in a faire
and cleare weather, it is a shewe of great
windes to follow.

If Dolphins be scene to play and skip
vpon a calme Sea, ther will great windes
follow that way whence they come.

If a Lampe or other light sparkle, it is
a forshewe of ensuing windes.

If the fyre send forth his flames wauning
or that it sparkles more then ordinary, it is

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a sygne of windy wether.

If any fyery sparks take hold of pottes, pipkins, or pannes, when they are taken from the fyre, it is a signe of stormy winds.

The crowing of Cockes, or cackling of Hennes in the night more then ordinary, it is a sygne of windes.

If the Moone appeare smal and red, and if that part which is not lyghtened with the helpe of the Sunne bee fyery or sparkling, it is a token of winds to follow.

If the sea do rise or swell about the shore it is a token of windes.

If the Sea cast forth great store or peeces of some, it is a manifest token of stormie windes.

If the Sea be more greenish or blewish then it is wont, it is a token of Southerly windes, if it be darke it is a sygne of Northerly winds.

If the Cormorant do still continue in the waters, it is an euident shew of winds.

If any great clowdes be scene to passe aloft and very hygh in the skye, looke from whence it coms, thence shall you shortly after haue store of windes.

If the Clowdes be any thing thicke, or big towards the North, & comming neere the Sunne they do vanish away, there wil windes follow.

If clowdes appeare small, thicke and drye

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Dye resembling flockes of Sheepe, it is a signe of windes.

It seldome causeth raining or snowing without some wynd.

If the beames of the Sunne be red and broad, and pierce the clowdes like dartes, they foretell windes.

If there be any red sygne in the Sunne or mone, there will wind follow.

The Hedgehogge is commonly wont to haue two holes or ventes in his den or caue, the one toward the North, the other toward the South, and looke which of the he stops, thence shall great stormes and windes follow.

If there bee any circles red, or of diuers colours about the Sunne when it riseth, it is sygne of wind.

If the Sunne rise very warme & flame not it is a shewe of windes.

If the Sunne continue hot or skorching many dayes together, it is a token of windes to continue long together.

If any starres be seen to runne or fall in the skye like dartes, leauing a taile, it is a sygne of windes.

Great store of Spider webbes do foretell coming windes.

If it thunder in the morning, it is a manifest shewe of windes.

Windes beginning with the rising of the

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the Stone.

Those windes that begin by day time are of more continuance then those that rise in the night.

The winds comming from the East are drie, and do commonly engender drought.

The northern wind is euer more healthful then the Southerne.

Signes and tokens of faire weather.

Great store of snow and water in winter, shew that the spring time and summer following shall be faire and warine.

The rising of the Raynbow very high in any rayny weather, foretels cleare and faire weather.

If the Rayne-bow appeare in the East toward the euening, it is a token of very faire weather.

If the Rayne-bow appeare in the winter time without any wind and some rayn withall, it is a token of faire weather.

If it lighten in the Horizon without thunder, it is a token of cleare and faire weather.

If night-Battes shew themselves in greater number, or more timely in the euening then they were wont, it is a manifest sygne that the next day after shall be cleare and faire.

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If the Moone appeare in the west with cleare hornes, with no vapours about it, three dayes before the opposition, and three dayes after the coniunction, it is a manifest token of long faire and cleare wether.

A cleare moone, and without any vapours about it appearing the third day before it giue any lyght, or the third day after that it first shines, signifyes cleare and faire wether.

If kites be seene to walke and flye together, it is a token of faire weather.

If litle flies or gnats bee seene to houer together about the beames of the Sun, before it set, and to flye together, making as it were the forme of a pillar, it is a manifest token of faire weather.

If any clouds in the aire bee seene to decline downward, it is a sygne of faire wether.

If sheepe or goats be seene to ioyne and couple together late or in an euening it is token of faire wether.

If the Sunne rise or set cleare without any cloud it is a token of fair whether.

If Sea birds, or water foules do not stretch out their winges keeping alongest the Sea shore, it is a sygne of faire wether.

Any winde comining from the North, and stirring many cloudes, signifyes very faire and long cleare wether.

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cleare and faire.

If Oxen be seene to lye along vpon the left syde, it is a token of faire weather.

If any mist fall either in the spring tyme or Autumne, foretels that day to be cleare and faire.

The sky being red in an euening, foretels the next morning to be faire.

The skyching of an Owle in foule weather, is a token of faire weather at hand.

The iaying of Dawes in a morning declare faire weather to come.

The leaping of Dolphins in a troubled Sea rousyng and sprinckling of the water, foretels cleare and faire wether.

If Antes or Wites dwelling in any hollow place do remoue their Egges, it is a sygne of faire weather.

If any steame, rike, or smoke being white do rise in a morning before the Sun ouer any waters, pooles, marishes or meadowes it is a token of faire wether.

If cranes be seene flye forthright, without turning a syde or backe, it a manifest token of faire weather.

The appearing of the white circle called Halo about the Mone in the forme of a crowne foretels faire wether to come.

If the mone appere the third day before the coniunction with small hornes, it signifies faire weather.

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Signes of foule and stormy weather.

If Bees flye not farre from their hives
or trees, it is a sygne of foule wether.

If asses shake their eares, it is a token
of some foule wether to be at hand.

When night Bats lye byd and come
not abroad it is a sygne of stormie wether.

When Oxen bite their forefeete, it is a
manifest token of some foule wether to fol-
low.

If Oxen cate more and feede more gree-
dily, then they are wont, and lye vpon
their right syde, there will foule weather
follow.

If dogges lye vpon their right syde, it is
a token that foule and stormy wether will
follow very shortly.

When rammes do skip and lcape more
then ordinary, and that they bite or shooke
one against another, it is a sygne of ill
wether.

If Dules shrich either in fayre or rainy
wether, it is a manifest sygne that ill we-
ther is at hand.

If Dawes do iaye or cackle sodainly
twice or thrice, it is a token of foule and
stormie wether.

If Dawes do iaye or cackle in an eve-
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ning quietly, it is a sygne of stormy weather.

If the flame of the fyre do waue vp and downe, or that sparkles flye from it, there wil stormy wether follow.

If Cocks do crow by night more timely then they were wont, it is a token of change of wether and great stormes.

If the wolues do howle extraordinarily, or come into corne fyelds or medowes, it is a sygne of foule wether.

If the Moone rise or appeare with two or thre blue or blacke circles about it, it is an euident token of stormie wether.

If the Sea do swell and flow higher the ordinarie, it is a sygne of foule weather.

If the Cormorant do keepe the water still, it is a token of ill wether.

If small clouds dispersed and scattered abroad appeare in cleare wether, it is a manifest token that the foule wether following shall last long.

If the clouds appeare whytish in Sommer time, it sygnifies very foule wether, and very furious stormes.

If Beese do flye aloft crying & cackling it is a token of foule wether to follow.

The chirping of Sparrowes in the morning, foretelleth foule wether.

If sheep and Goats do ioyne & couple together in the morning, there will stormy
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and foule wether follow.

The blustering noise of leaues & trees in woods, is a token of very foule wether.

If the Skye be ouercast with cloudes, and that the Sun do rise, and the beames thereof be seene to pierce through them, it is a token of foule weather.

If Stares doe flye together in any great number in the morning, and that afterward they returne backe so, it is a signe of some foule and blustering wether to follow.

Great store of cobwebbes and Spider webbes declare foule wether to be at hand.

If it thunder in an euening, it is a signe of ensuing stormy weather.

If it thunder when the wind blowes, it is a token of very foule wether.

If in the beginning of winter small byrdes do flocke together in the fields, it is a token of long foule wether.

If the Deernes flye and soare aloft, & very high, it is a sygne of foule and ill weather.

If small creeping wormes bee seene to keepe neere the thre leaued grasse, it is a token of very stormy wether.

Signes

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Signes of heate and hot wether.

If it lighten, the ayre and weather being cleare, it is a sygne of hot weather.

If night battes come in great numbers, and more thynely in the euening then they are wont, it is a sygne of great heate to follow.

If a mist or hoze frost do fall either in the spring time, or autumnne, it is a token that that day shalbe hot.

If Ravens or Crows be scene to stand gazing toward the Sunne, it is a manifest sygne of extreame heate to follow.

If Humble-bees or Drones flye abroad in an euening, it is a sygne of great heat.

The rysing of any whyte smoke, steame or ryke vppon the waters, medowes, or marishes before the rysing or setting of the Sun, or in the night time, it is an euident sygne of very hotte wether to follow shortly.

If small Flyes, Bites, or Gnattes do flye, focke & play together in great heaps before Sun set, it is a token of hot wether.

If kites be scene to play and flie leysurely in the ayre, it is a token of heate.

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Signes of colde and frosty weather.

If the aire of our Region be soutring, and fainting hot, it is a sygne of colde wether to ensue.

If it begin to freese with an Easterly wind, it is a token that the cold wether shall last a long time.

If a tame Nightingale be heard to syng and wild ones not, it is a sygne that winter is at hande, and that it will be very cold.

If the Mone be blackish, and darke and thicke, it sygnifies winter and very cold.

If the Mone rise or appeare with two or thre cleare circles about it, it is a sygne that the ayre shall be very cold.

If in the beginning of a frost it snowe but softly, and the snow be drizeling small, it is a sygne of cold weather.

If in winter time the clowdes be white, it is a sygne of long and extreame cold wether.

If in winter time Clowdes appeare whitish about the Horizon, it is a sygne of extreame cold weather.

If Sheepe or Oxen about harvest time

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be seene to scrape and dig by the ground, and that they stand with their heads close together, it is a sygne that winter is at hand.

It is a manifest sygne of cold weather, if the dew fall not in the morning, especially not being hindered by the wind.

If in the winter the Sunne set more cleare, red, and bright then it is wont, and that a Northerne or any other cold winde blow, it is a sygne that the night will be very cold.

If the Starres in winter tyme appeare more bright and clearer then ordinarily they are wont, it is a manifest token of euill wether.

If Starres do send forth any litle sparkles, it is a sygne of extreame cold wether.

If in the beginning of winter small byrdes flocke and flye together, pecking & seeking abroad in the open fieldes for foode, it is a token of extreame and long cold weather.

If Sea byrdes or fowles forsake the sea, it is a sygne that a cold winter is at hand.

If water fowle, or byrdes, as Duckes, Drakes, Mallardes, or such like be seene in the beginning of winter to seeke for great and broad waters which freese not, or that they goe to the Sea, it is a sygne of very long cold wether.

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If olde men that bee troubled with the goutte, with the quartane ague, or any aches in their bones or ioynts, do feele any alteration in colde wether, or the colde to trouble them, it is a manifest token that cold wether shal follow.

Signes of Snowe

If the aire of our Region bee fainte and warme, it is a sygne of Snow to follow shortly.

If in winter time the clowdes be whytish, it is a sygne of Snowe at hande.

If for two or thre dayes together in winter the Clowdes be very whytish towards the euening, it is a sygne of much Snow.

If when it raynes the aire be troubled and ouercast, and that the Clowds be more whitish then they are wont, it is a manifest token of Snow: and so much the more if the ayre be warme and solitarie.

Signes of yse and frost.

If in winter time when it raines marble stones and paper, do sodainly dry vp, it is a token of cold weather and frost.

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At what time soeuer yse doth consume & that with water, the frost ensuing will be dissolued into raine.

If it beginne to freeze with an Easterly winde, it is an euident token that it will freeze a long time together.

If in the beginning of a frost it snows, & that the snow be smal and drizeling, it is a signe that it will freeze a long time.

If the dew fal not in the morning namely not being hindered by the winde, it is a token of cold and frosty wether.

If Starres do sparkle in winter it is a token of a hard frost.

If in the beginning of winter smal birds do flocke and flye together seeking for food amidst the corne fieldes and meadows, it is a token of very cold and frosty wether.

If byrdes or fowle hanting the waters, as Geese, Duckes, Mallards, and other such like in y beginning of winter be seene to flye to great waters that freeze not, or that they goe to the Sea, it is a manifest token that very colde and frosty wether shall follow and continue a long time.

If old men or any other being troubled with the gout, the quartane ague, or haue any aches in their bones or ioyntes, & that in cold wether they be troubled or feele any alteration in them, it is a sygne of ensuing frost.

Signes

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Signes of calme weather.

Lightnings do allay the winds, and by how much the greater the lightning and thunder is, by so much the more are the windes allayd, and greater calme doth follow.

If Dolphins bee scene to leape and hop aboue y^e waters in a stormy sea sprinkling the water, it is a signe of a calme to follow.

If the mone rise or appeare with a cleare circle about it, and that it vanish by little & little, it is a manifest token of a cleare and calme weather to ensue.

If after wynds there followe any sodaine shoure of rain, it is a tokē of a quiet calme.

Signes of Stormes and tempestes.

If pluintrees be fertill and forward, it is a token of stormes and tempestes.

If any comets or blasynge stars appeare it is a sygne of tempest.

If the mone rise and appeare with bluish, blackish or darkish circles about it, it is a token of tempest, & so much the greater by howe much the more those circles are broken, greenish or more darke.

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If in Sommer time the cloudes be pale and white, it is an euident token of furious, stormie and tempestuous weather.

If sheepe and Oxen about haruest time be seene to scrape or digge the ground with their feet, and to lye one towards another, it is a sygne of a stormy and tempestuous winter.

If it thunder towarde the euening, it is an euident token of some tempest at hand.

If it thunder with an Easterly or westerly wind, it is a signe of some following furious stormy wether.

If the wind blow hard in the South, and presently change to the North, it is a token of a very great tempest namely vpon the Seas.

Signes of lightening

Lightening is a part of the ayre moued & stirred vp with the force of the fyery and shining spheare.

Lightninges do allay the windes, and by how much the more violent & flashing they are, by so much the more do they appease them, but not so much in winter, as about the spring time.

If Starrs be seene to moue and fall in
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great numbers, it is a sygne that it will lighten very shortly after.

Signes of thunder-bolts or claps.

If the fyre bee seene to sparkle extraordinarily, and the coles to raise and make the ashes swell, it is a sygne of some thunder-bolt.

If in Sommer time the clowdes be pale & whitish, it is a sygne of stozins and tempest together with thunder-claps & bolts to fall shortly after.

If it thunder in the euening, it is a token of sodaine change of wether, and great tēpest to follow with fall of thunder-bolts, with great flashing and lightning.

Signes of thunder.

Thunder is a violent sound, & motion of it selfe running with his owne force in the aire.

If the rainbōw appeare in the west, it is a token of thunder.

If fyre sed sozth many sparkling sparks, it is a sygne of thunder.

If clowdes be like vnto bladders, long
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and round, it is a manifest token of an horrible thunder, able to affright and make men fall as dead.

If great store of starres be seene to fall & run in the aire, it is a token of thundering and lightening to follow.

Signes of earthquakes.

If any springs, fountaines, wels, or other waters be seene to be troubled and thicke (without a manifest cause) or to tast saltish, or contrary to nature to loose his ordinary tast, & to stinke, it is a sygne of some earthquake to follow shortly after.

If Conduit or pipe waters bee heard to make any extraordinary noise, or to stirre violently, it is a token of earthquakes.

The Heauens and the Seas do foretell if any earthquake be at hand, for vnlesse the element and skye bee so still, calme & cleare that the Birdes bee scant able to flye in the ayre, and that the Seas bee so quiet and calme and scant be seene to stirre, there is no earthquake likely to happen.

If anye Region or Countrey shall bee obscured and darchened by the shadowe or darknesse of any eclipsed planet, it is great likelyhood that some Earthquake will followe, and much the more

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If the shadow or darknesse be the greater.

If any earthquake bee at hand, the Sea wil giue manifest tokens thereof vnto the skillfull Mariner, for though no winde be stirring the sea will swell and mount with billowes and great waues as in a tempest and stozme: moreover what soeuer a ship is freighted and balasted withall shall bee scene to shake and stirre as if it were in any other building or land.

If any clowd be scene red and fyery, and to pierce the aire in the foyme of a pilier, it is a manifest token of some earthquake.

Smal, long, & whitish clowdes like vnto long lines towards the west, are comonly manifest tokens of ensuing earthquakes.

If the Sun be ouercast and dark for some dayes together without any clowdes, it is a signe that some earthquake wil follow.

If the Sun and Moone appeare darke, red, bloudy, or fyery, it is a token of some succeeding earthquake.

If ther be any terrible noise hard in f aire like vnto howling belowings, bussings or humaine clamors, or like the clattering of armour, ther is some earthquake at hand.

If the wether be very quiet, still & calme for a month or two together without any motion or stirring of windes, it is an euident token of some ensuing earthquake.

If any earthquake bee at hande or likely
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to follow. all byrds and fozefooted beaſts, are commonly wont to leaue and forſake their accuſtomed, and ordinary homes, neſtes, caues, dennies or habitations, and to ſeeke for new dwellings or harborough, ſeeking therby to auoid the iniurie of ſoule weather.

Of comets and blazing ſtarres.

A Comet is no ſtarre, but is created by a hot and drie exhalation, and is an euident token of a corrupted ayre, and therefore comets are as it were forerunners of deſtruction & corruption of earthly things, and ſygnify great tempeſtes and ſtoꝛmie windeſ to follow.

What time ſoeuer a comet doth appeare it is very dangerous the whole yeare after

A comet is a forſigne of earthquakes, of warres, of alteration of kingdoms & great ſtates, of the fall and death of great men & pꝛinces, and alſo of beaſtes of horre and moiſt complexionſ, of plagues and famine, and eſpecially it threatens thoſe pꝛinces & great men which are ſubiecte to the climate where the comet appeareth.

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Of Iris or the Rainbowe.

The Rainbowe is nothing els but the rayes and beames of the Sunne, which beating against the cōcauity of the clouds, do reflect toward the Sunne againe: and the mixture of the Clowdes, and the airy and fiery elementes doe cause that diuersity of colours in it.

The Raynbow neuer appeareth but opposite to the Sunne, and is neuer seene by night.

The Raynbow is as a marke and token giuen by God to mankind that he wil neuer destroy the world againe with a generall flood.

Signes of any corruption, blasting, rotte, or infection.

If any comets appeare, it is an euident token of blasting and corruption of all fruites, pulse, and corne.

If the Sommer be moist, wet & cloudy, it is a sygne that all fruites, corne, and all kind of pulse shalbe blasted and corrupted.

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If the spring time bee very cloudy, and full of mists and hoary frostes, namely when trees do bud and blossom, and that the fieldes wax greene, it is a manifest token that all fruits of the earth shall be blasted, rotten, or destroyed.

Signes of plenty and abundance.

Great store of raine and water in winter betokenneth a good and plentifull yeare after.

Great store of snow in winter signifyeth a plentifull yeare.

If great store of Snowe do fall on the plaine, it is a token that the frost shall not continue long, and that great plenty of fruite and corne will follow.

Signes of dearth and want of corne.

The appearing of a Comet, or blasynge starre, is a sygne of a deare yeare.

If in the spring time or Sommer there fall great store of waters, or that the skye be overcast for some dayes together with cloudes, hoarfrosts and mists, or that the

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the wind keepe any while in the South, it is a manifest token of a great dearth, and the rather if these things happen at what time the trees begin to bud and blossome, or when the corne fields be greene.

If birds flock and flie together in great companies, and with cryinges and chirpings, forsake the Islands, the woods, or the maine land, and withdraw themselves to citties towne, houses and fields, it is a token of a great barrenes, dearth and want of victuals.


The truest, and most likely and manifest token of an ensuing dearth and barrenes, is the cruell and bloody warres, caused through the ambitio of vsurariat and greedy tyrantes, by their instrumentes, the licentious, mercilesse and conetous souldiers, who neither regarding succeeding want, nor any Christianlike motion, kill and lauishly wast all sortes of cattels, spoile and fondly consume what corn soeuer they can lay handes vppon, neuer regarding to keepe any seede for a newe yeare, subuerting houses, burning towne, oppressing or imprisonning all sortes of persons, of what sex soeuer, to the great hartes griefe and vndoeing of all men.

To

To the gentle Reader.

Now courteous Reader that
even as the earth doth not
produce in all places alyke,
so the heauen is not of one
selfe same force and operation in eue-
ry place, thou must therefore euer re-
ferre the iudgement of all these ad-
uertisements, and of the constitution
of the aire only to the Horyzō, where
these foresaid sygnes shall appeare.

Then are the sygnes most certaine
when many of them do concurre to-
gether in one: But if thou wilt liue
free from all troubles and worldly
cares, arme thy selfe with an vndan-
ted courage neuer to feare death,
which will bee very easye for thee to
do, if with a liuely and constant faith
thou shalt embrace Christ Iesus our
Lord and vnfainedly loue thy neigh-
bour as thy selfe.


The names of the A
from which these sygne
lected, besydes the experi
hath bin made of them
ancient and late shephea
other men.

Albategni.
Alexander Am-
phrodis.
Antonius Mizaldus.
Aratus.
Aristotle.
Auicenna.
Beda Anglus Saxus.
Claudius Tolomeius.
Cornelius Agrippa.
Cornelius Celsus.
Columella.
Diarius Fisicus.
Galenus.
Gulielmus Grat.
Hesiodus.

Hipocrate
Ioachim
Macrobius.
Manilius.
Marcus Cato.
Mesue.
Ouidius.
Plato.
Plinius.
Proclus.
Rasin.
Temistro.
Theofastem.
Varro.
Virgilius.

And many others.